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Camperdown factory back in production

THE Bonlac factory at Camperdown which has stood idle for 10 years is being re-commissioned by direct marketing company Aussie Farmers Direct to process and bottle fresh market milk.

Aussie Farmers Direct has grown rapidly since its establishment five years ago and now direct markets fresh products including milk, bread, eggs, vegetables, meat and fish to almost 80,000 customers across five states.

It plans to spend almost \$5.5 million to develop fresh milk processing, pasteurisation and bottling facilities at the Camperdown site with a daily capacity of up to 100,000 litres of milk.

Milk and other products marketed by the company are home delivered by franchisee in what the company said was a return to the "old fashioned service of the local, much-loved milkman."

It says the new facility at Camperdown will mean more farm gate competition for milk produced in this region and provide new employment opportunities for up to 100 staff at full production.

The Camperdown factory will be used to supply customers in Victoria, New South Wales and the Australian Capital Territory.